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## Smithsonian Institution.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE
SHOULD BE ADDRESSED
TO THE SECRETARY.
S. P. LANGLEY.

washington, D. C., October 28, 1895.

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The silver should be made up into four small bricks of about eight ounces each, and I shall take pleasure in remitting the amount of the bill at once upon the receipt of the bars.

With great respect,

Your obedient servant,

Secretary.

The Honorable R. E. Preston,
Director of the Mint,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

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[Handwritten note on back of letter:]

Mint Bureau October 28, 1895

Respectfully referred to Supt. U.S. Mint who will please furnish the silver requested.

R.E. Preston
Director of Mint